

Salem actors launch new season

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Washington County Actors Community Theatre is beginning its new season with a best-selling book, Robert Fulghum's *All I Really Need to Know I Learned in Kindergarten*, as dramatized by Ernest Zulia.

In constructing this fun and insightful musical, Zulia pulled ideas from several of Fulghum's books, combining songs, monologues, and skits into a truly unique theatrical offering that audiences love.

Directed by Charity Main, the show's twelve cast members take turns spinning tales and singing songs of their earliest years, making profound points about what's important in everyday life.

Musical Director Daniel Main said the show is a celebration of what we were like as children. "When you were in kindergarten, you learned to share, work in groups, cooperate, and be considerate of other people. Each little vignette has a little moral or lesson to be garnered from it. It's funny, it's sad, it's moving, it's poignant, and it's flippant -- all at the same time."

Kindergarten will be presented at Gary W. Hartsook Hall, the building behind the Salem Nazarene Church, 402 N. Harrison Street. Shows are on Saturday evening (August 4) at 7:30 and Sunday afternoon (August 5) at 2:00. During the following week, show dates and times are Friday and Saturday evenings (August 10 and 11) at 7:30 and on Sunday afternoon (August 12) at 2:00.

Tickets may be purchased at the door (\$9 for adults and \$8 for students), with discounted tickets available in advance by sending an e-mail message to wcactin@gmail.com, specifying the date you plan to attend. For more information, call Sally Bledsoe at 620-6600.